

Notification of Request for Authorization under the Degree-Granting Institutions Act

Date posted: December 28, 2015

Institution: Andrews University

Nature of request: Initial authorization to offer seminars in Washington State for two degree programs

Proposed programs: Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry
Doctor of Ministry

Locations: Planned locations for the MAPM program seminars:
North Pacific Union Office
5709 N. 20th Street
Ridgefield, WA 98642

Walla Walla University
204 South College Avenue
College Place, WA 99324

Planned location for the DMin program seminars:
Auburn Adventist Academy
500 Auburn Way S.
Auburn, WA 98092

Background:

Andrews University is a private, non-profit institution based in Berrien Springs, Michigan. It has been accredited by the North Central Association – Higher Learning Commission (NCA-HLC) since 1922. It is also accredited by the Association of Theological Schools (ATS).

Nature of the review:

Prior to granting authorization to offer seminars within degree programs in Washington State, the Washington Student Achievement Council/Degree Authorization reviews elements such as institutional infrastructure, financial solvency, administrative staff qualifications, program outcomes, course requirements, method of course delivery, faculty credentials, and student services.

The seminars within the programs to be offered by Andrews University appear to meet the requirements of the Degree-Granting Institutions Act.

Information on the programs can be found on the university's website at:

[Master of Arts in Pastoral Ministry](#)

[Doctor of Ministry](#)

Timeline:

The WSAC will accept comments on this application until January 11, 2016.

Any individuals with knowledge that may indicate the institution and/or the program does not meet the authorization requirements of WAC 250-61 are requested to submit comments to: [Degree Authorization](#).

If you would like to know more about the current law and regulations that govern the program, they can be found at the following links: the statute is [Chapter RCW 28B.85](#) and the regulation is [WAC 250-61](#).